

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103

Claims 1-4, 6, 9, 13-16 are rejected under U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mukherjee in view of Fertner. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections.

In response to Applicants' arguments, the Examiner has stated that "A weighted spectral flatness term is not further defined by the applicant". Applicants have amended claim 1 to further clarify the weighted spectral flatness term. None of the cited references teach this limitation. Accordingly, amended claim 1 and those depend therefrom are patentably distinguishable from the cited references.

Claims 6, 9, and 13 have been amended in the manner of claim 1 and are patentably distinguishable from cited references for at least the same reasons as claim 1.

Applicant believes this application and the claims herein to be in a condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have further inquiry concerning these matters, please contact the below named attorney for Applicant.

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